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PHOTO BY IAN CAMPBELL
US Paralympian Jessica Long visited the Stroh on Wednesday, delivering her unique life testimony composed to spark inspiration and hope into the hearts of all.

Born in Irkutsk, Russia, Jessica was orphaned and adopted at the age of 13 months to a family from Baltimore, Maryland. She was born with fibular hemimelia, depriving her of fibulas, ankles, heels and most of the other bones in her feet. At 18 months old her legs were amputated below the knees, but her disability did nothing to prevent her from becoming a gold medalist.

“Those with the audacity to challenge what is deemed impossible, and believe that they have the ability to make a difference are the ones who exceed the expectations this world has to offer them,” Long said.

From gymnastics to rock-climbing, Long was able to compete in a variety of sports from a very young age through the use of prosthetics. Once introduced to swimming, however, she and the water became inseparable, and her dream was realized.

“When I’m in the water, I’m completely free,” she said.

After sailing past her high school competition in every stroke, Long first became a Paralympian at just age 12, winning her first gold medal at the Athens Paralympic games in 2004. Since then she collected 13 gold, 6 silver and 4 bronze medals over the past four Olympic Games, naming her one of the world’s best female athletes by Sport’s Illustrated.

When it comes to overcoming her disadvantage, she reminded her crowd, mainly filled with the University’s student-athlete body, attitude determines success in life, and to dwell in adversity is a course to sorrow and loss.

“It was my own insecurities that caused me to be treated differently...”

— Jessica Long —
U.S. Paralympian

“…and then everyone else will follow suit.”

This mindset embodies host organization We Are One Team’s ethos and mission to promote friendship between stereotyped groups, and ensure the University’s athletic community is committed to a culture of inclusion.

“We Are One Team uses sport as a medium to support diversity, inclusion and acceptance of minority and disadvantaged groups,” WAIT founder Yannick Kluch said.

WAIT is the first of its kind initiative in the US, and was honored this year with the prestigious NCAA and Minority Opportunities Athletic Association’s Award for Diversity and Inclusion.

It’s a career driving and noble initiative for students and athletes to be engaged in. Email Kluch at ykluch@bgsu for more information about how to get involved.
Ohio State to make playoffs

By Chase Bachman
Columnist

Ohio State got molly-whopped on Saturday when they made the trip to Iowa City to face the Hawkeyes, and like the plot to Inception, I’m as confused as you are. Not just because the imposing Buckeyes lost to unexpected Iowa, but also because they were defeated so handily. When the clock finally reached all zeros, the scoreboard read 55-24 Iowa, and star QB J.T. Barrett found himself quickly making his way through a stampede of Hawkeye fans en-route to the locker room.

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All the Buckeyes have to do is win the remaining three games on their regular season schedule, get help with a Penn State or Michigan State loss, and qualify for the Big 10 Championship in which they would beat presumably Wisconsin. So simple.

Think of my prediction like the scene in Step Brothers when Derek agrees to put Brennan in charge of the Catalina Wine Mixer. It’s a win-win for me. If I’m wrong, I simply have to admit as much and embrace the mockery of people who told me I was crazy. Being wrong also means I’ll probably have seen another Buckeye loss this year.

“Darn,” he said sarcastically.

If I’m right, however, I look like a genius to the board (the board in this case being people on Twitter).

Much to the annoyance of my many friends and family that root for the Maize and Blue (or anyone that roots for Ohio State to lose), I am still not ready to disregard the Ohio State Buckeyes as potential College Football Playoff participants. They have always surprised people and this time is no different. Unless they lose. Of course, they would lose. Urban Meyer always finds a way to prove me wrong.

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Coping with anxiety can be easy

By Victoria Scanlon
Guest Columnist

Do you suffer from anxiety attacks? These situations can be hard, especially if you do not fully understand what is going on.

If you haven’t taken the time to really find what helps you, here are some pointers for what I know has helped every time.

Go to a quiet place:
Wherever you are, step away from the situation and go somewhere quiet. Try the park, a meadow, your back yard or anywhere outside where you are away from people.

This will allow a quiet space to think, away from any distractions such as conversation, background noise, crowded areas and animals. I suggest to stay away from your usual areas in this instance. For example, the space you usually retreat to could be cluttered, small, busy or loud. It is easier to calm down in a wide open, outdoor area in these cases. A space free of judgment and fear.

Breathe it out:
Lie down or sit in a comfortable position. Take a very deep breath, as slowly as possible. Hold this breath for 4 seconds. Let the air fall out of your diaphragm slowly, and focus on completely relaxing a new muscle with each release.

Your mind will race off into thought about anything and everything while you do this; but the key is to recognize when you start to think and snap back to focusing only on your breathing.

Do not allow yourself get up until you can walk around without a single stressed thought. If you get up and start to feel anything then immediately lie back down and breathe. This will ensure that you calm down. You can’t get up until you’re completely calm, so it is foolproof in itself.

This is something some of you may understandably scoff at. It’s not necessarily something that will work if you think it is a waste of time or bogus. This is all about your mindset, and ability to force yourself into the calm state needed to think through things appropriately.

As humans, it has become nature to fall victim to anxious behavior, and allow these energies to take over because of familiarity. It has become all too easy to convince ourselves that things aren’t okay, when things are more than okay if we are able to separate from the situation mentally and find the bright side to everything.

Go for a ride:
Whether you own roller blades, a long-board or a bike; go for a ride. This is a great mental workout for these situations.

Taking a ride on a long-board or bike can give solid mental and physical exercise, and allow productive thought release- which can lead to a better state of mind.

This more focused mind-state allows room for optimistic, problem solving thought instead of jumbled worries.

Plus, you can’t ride a bike or long-board inside. Nature is a wonderful place. Plants and trees are alive - and pure. I mean, think about it- they live their entire lives just being a tree. No speaking, no drama, no murder; just a solid, drama-free life. In my opinion, this is why you feel better after going to the park!
College Republicans, Trump’s presidency

By Kaitlyn Fillhart
Social Media Editor

In a survey of 11 College Republicans, five said that they were happy with President Trump's performance, three were not and another three were not sure yet.

Almost a year after the 2016 presidential election, the group is mixed on how the President has performed on some of his major campaign promises.

One of the first promises that President Trump fulfilled was backing the United States out of the Paris Climate Accord.

"I generally agree with his decision to get us out of it. The benefits are too small to validate the costs," sophomore Shaun Sager said. "I think the way the agreement has gone about legislating carbon emissions regulating that some countries get to start later, some now, is not creating a fair system for America."

Sophomore Hayden Brown thinks removing the country from the agreement is the first step to nationalism.

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The Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program was another high priority on President Trump's list when he was elected into office. When he announced that it was coming to an end, cities and universities across the nation deemed themselves as a 'safe city' or 'safe campus' despite the administration's threats to revoke funding if they did so.

David Jenkins, Treasurer, thinks that it is good to force Congress to take care of this issue, but Trump should not end the program in the meantime.

"For me personally, I think that he's failing Dreamers. These are people that came into the U.S. as children; they were brought here. It wasn't their decision to come," Jenkins said. "I think it's a good decision to force Congress to finally act upon the issue, but ending the program with just a couple of months instead of trying to force politics play out is a mistake."

Jenkins went on to say if the program was changed to make Dreamers legal, they should not be the first ones granted full citizenship.

"Definitely to the back of the line. There are still a lot of people waiting to come into the country who have done everything right and haven't gotten nearly as far in becoming citizens," he said.

Sophomore Dylan Pipic thinks the border should be defended by people instead of something physical.

"When we look at the cost of maintaining something of this caliber, which is probably going to be one of the greatest public

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President Mazey’s journey

By Del-Marcus Goolsby
Reporter

She never thought she would be here. From a four-room schoolhouse with eight grades in it, to room 220 of McFall Center, Mary Ellen Mazey leads the University as its president and serves as a primary representation for the students and faculty.

Her path to this position, filled with its share of challenges and obstacles, makes her truly unique and gives her a perspective that is rare in this form of leadership.

With far from a privileged childhood, Mazey realized early on that education was going to be vital for her success. With her mother being without a high school education, Mazey was always encouraged to be successful in the classroom so she could be successful in her career.

“Education has really been a key to what I want to do in life. I want to give every student and everyone I work with the same opportunities that I had,” she said.

After the passing of her father when she was only a year old, Mazey was primarily raised by her mother. However, her mother’s long work schedule at the Greenbrier hotel meant that a lot of her relatives and family friends pitched in to help.

“My aunt and two older brothers were very influential for me. My brothers always looked to me as equal. I remember my one brother didn’t think I could be valedictorian, and he bet me $100 that I couldn’t be valedictorian of my class so I proved him wrong!” she exclaimed.

Mazey would continue on to beat the odds as she moved toward higher education. Mazey earned bachelor’s and master’s degrees from West Virginia University and a Ph.D. in geography from the University of Cincinnati. But this was no easy task.

Moving on from the small town of White Sulphur Springs where she was born and raised to the flagship institution of that state, West Virginia University, was a daunting task for Mazey.

Moving from a graduating class of 92 students and a population of 2,500 to Morgantown was a true test for Mazey, with her being a first-generation college student. But she found the motivation to succeed in her studies. And not once did her status affect her motivation in herself.

“We grew up in a time that was prior to Title IX, but my mother never believed that there wasn’t anything a woman couldn’t do,” she said.

However, Mazey wasn’t the only one to beat the odds. Her older brother, a current Federal Appeals Judge, is also an alumni of West Virginia University. After being successful in ROTC and the Air Force, he also showed the value of education by attending law school and becoming a judge.

It is clear that the values that they were raised on were vital to their success as they persevered against all odds.

"My mother often said we were so poor, that we didn't realize we were poor, and that's the best way because we were always very humble and had a great deal of respect for others. We valued every individual off of their abilities of what they can do. The sky is the limit,” she said.

Those values seemed to really work in her favor as Mazey would continue on to serve in many different high-profile positions in higher education. She served as provost and vice-president of academic affairs at Auburn University, as dean of the Eberly College of Arts and Sciences at West Virginia University and as dean of the College of Liberal Arts at Wright State University.

In 1996 to 1997, she had an Intergovernmental Personnel assignment and served as director of the Office of University Mazey continued on page 11
Underage drinking is often considered part of the college experience; but, there are risks involved with the consumption of too much alcohol. However, there are ways to get medical attention to intoxicated minors without condemning them for breaking the law.

At the beginning of the semester, the Undergraduate Student Government was asked to put under consideration a medical amnesty policy. Rob Goldsmith, the president of the Students for Sensible Drug Policy chapter here at the University, was the one who drafted this policy.

According to the Medical Amnesty Initiative, medical amnesty “grants intoxicated minors a limited legal immunity when they seek help for themselves or another individual who is in need of immediate medical attention.”

The SSDP is an international organization that works to alleviate some risks associated with drug use and alcohol overconsumption, Goldsmith said. The SSDP does not condemn nor condone drug use, they simply acknowledge that it happens.

“Understand that the idea of drug use does contain some risks, and we believe that there are ways to educate people that alleviate some of that risk.”

It is inevitable that there will be some level of underage drinking and drug use on campus — and it will not always be done responsibly, Goldsmith said. The SSDP’s policy is trying to ensure that the people partaking in these activities have access to the proper medical treatment, should they need it.

“Often times, people are afraid of coming under criminal charges if they call for help,” Goldsmith said.

The policy will allow the students whose lives are in danger to get the help they need without facing criminal charges. But the medical amnesty only applies to University organizations (such as BGSU Student Codes of Conduct, Residence Life and Greek Life), not over law enforcement agencies like the BG Police Department.

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As of now, both he and Goolsby will present the policy to USG on Monday, Carter said. But this date could be pushed back. After the policy is presented, it will be considered by the USG for a week and then voted on.

“If this is something we can be proactive about instead of reactive about, we should definitely be proactive,” Carter said.

This policy is so important because it holds a strong potential to save lives, Goldsmith said.

“There is nothing to me that leverages a human life, regardless of the legality of it.”

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The Falcons hockey team will face the Lake Superior State Lakers on Friday and Saturday night, as the Falcons come off of defeating the Michigan Tech Huskies in both games of their series last weekend.

However, the team feels that Lake Superior has made some changes over the past offseason.

"On paper, they’ve got some really good forwards," Falcons head coach Chris Bergeron said. "They lost one guy who they counted on last year for offense, but I think they’ve got five or six guys outside of him that can hurt you offensively, so I’m looking for that, but I’m not really sure what to expect outside of that. I don’t know their team great from the back end and their goaltending’s new, so it’s a little bit of an unknown, but we’ll see what we see again with the series against Alaska Anchorage, but I do think they’re going to work really hard.

The team is also looking to be better able to create scoring opportunities by sticking more to their plan throughout the series.

“I’m a process-oriented guy,” Bergeron said. “Without saying, ‘Shoot it where the goalie isn’t,’ or something like that, that’s kind of obvious, but it’s hard to score goals at this level when you’ve got goaltending as good as it is on every team. So you’ve got to go to the process. The process is hitting the net. The process is getting traffic. The process is making sure you’re a second- and third-opportunity team, which means you’re chasing down pucks and not being a one and done. That’s the process for us, when we don’t spend enough time in the O-zone five on five, we don’t get enough chances because our process isn’t good enough.”

Lake Superior State also comes into this series with the top power play in the WCHA.

“I find that the series against Lake Superior in this building have always been difficult.”

-Chris Bergeron-
Falcons Head Coach
Football falls to Buffalo on the road

By Zane Miller
Sports Editor

The Falcons football team was defeated 38-28 by the Buffalo Bulls on Tuesday night, the team’s first Mid-American Conference road loss of the season.

“It’s frustrating,” Falcons head coach Mike Jinks said. “Buffalo is an improved ball club, and I really thought that it was going to be a good gauge of where we’ve come and where we are as a football team.”

The game started out with Buffalo getting the first points of the game on a touchdown run midway through the first quarter; however, the Falcons were able to respond with a touchdown pass to freshman wide receiver Quintin Morris from freshman quarterback Jarret Doege, with both teams getting the extra points to make it 7-7. However, Buffalo was able to get a couple of quick touchdowns before the end of the quarter, as quarterback Tyree Jackson and wide receiver Anthony Johnson connected from 21 yards and 69 yards respectively to make it a 21-7 game.

In the second quarter, it was both defenses that stepped up as neither team was able to score until freshman running back Andrew Clair got in for a short touchdown run with just 36 seconds remaining, cutting the lead to 21-14 at halftime.

However, in the third quarter, Buffalo was able to restore their two possession lead on another long touchdown pass, which the Falcons were able to respond to on their next drive with a touchdown pass from Doege to senior wide receiver Teo Redding. In the fourth, Buffalo put themselves back into a two-possession advantage with a short field goal to start off the quarter, but the Falcons again closed the gap with a connection from Doege to junior wide receiver Scott Miller. On Buffalo’s next possession, Buffalo got a touchdown run, which the Falcons would be unable to recover from as Buffalo took the 38-28 win.

“I saw that we struggled to defend the pass,” Jinks said. “I saw that we had trouble covering on multiple occasions.”

“Next week’s a big one,” Jinks said. “We don’t have any time to put our heads down and pout, we’ve got to walk out of here with our heads held up and we’ve got to get to work for five hours when we get back to the facility and we’ve got to prepare.”

The team will next play on Wednesday night in their final home game of the season against the Toledo Rockets.

Men’s basketball opens regular season

By Jamison Terbrack
Sports Reporter

The Falcons men’s basketball team will officially kick off their season on Friday with a road tilt against the Drexel Dragons in Philadelphia.

“I think we’re coming along very nicely at this stage,” Falcons head coach Michael Huger said. “The freshmen are coming along very nicely. Learning the system, learning the defense is the biggest thing that I think we need to get adjusted to as freshmen. The physicality of the game, the speed of the game, but defensively they’re doing great and I’m happy with that. Now we’re gelling and meshing and coming together at the right time and now I think we are ready for that outside competition. A couple weeks ago I don’t know if we were quite ready for outside competition but right now they are itching to go. I can’t wait, I’m excited about the start of the season.”

Huger is a Bowling Green alumnus and this will be his third year at the helm. He has a record of 29-37 as the Falcons head coach.

The Falcons look to be lead by junior forward Demajeo Wiggins and sophomore guard Dylan Frye. Last year the Falcons went 13 and 19 with a conference record of its 7-11; however, the team is still looking to establish themselves.

“Very close to having a starting lineup but not close to having a starting lineup I’m ready to share. We have a starting lineup intact and we’re ready to go. Things can change within a week but I don’t think that will happen,” Huger said.

The Drexel Dragons will look upon senior forward Austin Williams and senior guard Sammy Monica this year. The Dragons went 9-23 last year as well as 3-15 in their conference. The team feels that seeing how freshman players react to their first game will also be important.

“The biggest thing now as freshmen coming in, mine in particular, all of them were the man on the team,” Huger said. “They were the best player on the team, so now you’re coming to a situation where a whole team was pretty much their best player and now you need them to play as one and that’s the thing that they adjusted to the best I thought, sharing the ball. They didn’t have a problem with sharing the ball and being a good teammate. Defense is always the toughest thing for freshmen, the toughness. First of all they’re not strong enough coming in so they work very hard. Kenny Goodrich did a good job with them over the summer, putting muscle and bulk on those guys to get them ready for the season. So that part came along well and now the defense.”

Upcoming Games

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Florida Gulf Coast
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works in recent times, why pay to have a physical wall when there are thousands of veterans returning from war?” Pipic said.

“We could put that money to employ them. If the money is going to go somewhere, why not put it to the people?”

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Higgins feels that Republican members of Congress failed in their promise to implement a new healthcare plan.

“I feel that it’s difficult to trust them when during the Obama administration, they were saying how we need to stop this terrible healthcare plan from going through,” he said. “The Republicans said we’re going to repeal if you elect us. But then they said, oh wait, we need to work through the specifics before we pass it, and nothing is getting done.”

The temporary travel ban was considered to be a good move by the President by some in the group.

“I think it’s a great thing. These nations that were banned typically don’t have any background information. It makes sense that were banned typically don’t have any background information. It makes sense that we should at least figure out the situation that’s going on before we let them in without background checks,” sophomore Nathan Feffer said.

Sager agrees with and thinks that it is the President’s job to protect his citizens.

“I think that people go crazy the second that the list was announced. At the end of the day, I don’t see a problem with a temporary restriction. We see the radical ideologies rising from these nations who are incompatible with western values and is dangerous to our nation,” Sager said. “I think the president has the right and duty to protect the citizens by restricting immigration until a problem can be solved.”

With over three years of President Trump’s first term to go, the group had some suggestions on how he could win them over going forward.

“Keep Tweeting. It gives a voice to the president. Have we ever had a president that came out and spoke his mind and was honest with people? It proves that he’s human, and we can connect with him. Whether you agree with him or not is up to you,” Feffer said.

All Pipic asks is Trump to keep the country moving forward.

“As long as he has learned and developed the country in some way by the time he leaves office, I think it will have been a great presidency,” he said.

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**By April Leygraaf**

**Reporter**

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ty Partnerships at the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Mazey never sought out these opportunities, but she never hesitated to pursue them because she believed that she could better help students.

“When opportunities come to you, you just want to take them and ensure that you can contribute along the way. It’s all about helping others,” she said.

Lisa Mattiace, Mazey’s chief of staff since 2012, was brought on board after Mazey started her tenure as the University’s president. Mattiace has learned a lot about her since then and shares her commitment to student success.

“She is very genuine and student-focused. Everything that she does is to better help our students succeed. She is certainly well-grounded and can therefore use the experience that she has gotten from either other institutions or the way in which she was raised to do the right thing,” she said.

Mike Rutkowski, a sophomore graphic design major, has sat in on multiple meetings with Mazey for his art program and has been able to see the exact same things in her.

“She’s very outspoken, and she says what’s on her mind. And when she talks, she doesn’t just talk to talk. She talks to listen. She really cared about what other people had to say. She wanted to understand things and hear what other people thought. I noticed that she wants to do the best job that she can, and I know that she means well,” he said.

It is also clear that Mazey’s drive to make the University better is a passion that is shared among her core staff as well.

“It’s also made me think, and I think it’s made the people around her think. ‘How can we make BGSU better?’ I probably thought about that during the course of my whole career when I worked at other institutions, but I think about it much more now and more overtly than I did before,” Mattiace said.

However, with all of the accomplishments and the high regards that she has achieved throughout her career, the one passion that launched Mazey into success is still held very close with her.

“I decided to go ahead and get a Ph.D. because I love to go to school. I thought I’d always just be a college professor. I never intended to go into administration. If worst comes to worst, then I just go back to teaching. And what’s better than working with the students?” she said.

This has led Mazey to not feel any regrets in her life, knowing that she has worked hard to achieve her goals and passions for helping students.

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